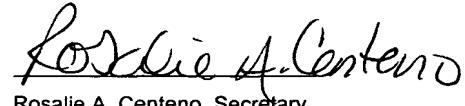


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In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.56, Applicant wishes to call the attention of the Examiner to the following references:

- 1) DT 25 39 516

Reference 1 is mentioned in the specification of the present application on page 1.

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